

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Yoshitsugu HAMA et al.

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Examiner Krishnan Menon

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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Commissioner for Patents
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response under 37. CFR 1.110

Sir:

EXAMPLING GROUP 1723

Responsive to the Office Action of January 6, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: